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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116

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Applicant has reviewed the final Office Action mailed on December 18, 2002. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please substitute the claim set in the appendix entitled Clean Version of Pending Claims for the previously pending claim set. The substitute claim set is intended to reflect amendment of previously pending claims 1, 10, 25, 29, 38 and 40. The specific amendments to individual claims are detailed in the following marked up set of claims.

1. (THRICE AMENDED) A vapor emitting patch comprising:

a base portion comprising a hydrogel;
a cellular [portion] structure, comprising a foamed polyolefin, contacting the base portion, the cellular [portion] structure comprising a vapor emitting portion; and
a vapor emitting material stored within the vapor emitting portion.

10. (AMENDED) A patch comprising:

a hydrogel comprising a first surface and an opposing surface;
a releasable layer adhered to the hydrogel;
a foam pad comprising a cellular[s] structure comprising foamed polyolefin, the pad comprising a top surface and a bottom surface wherein the bottom surface of the pad is